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1. From 12 to 18 August 1954, Soviet submarines [ ] were moored at the naval quay in Ventspils. The vessels were estimated to be 1,500 GRT each and had an oblong, closed conning tower with a straight forward edge and slanting after edge. There was a snorkel device on the conning tower. The two submarines were apparently ready to put to sea. They appeared to be of the same type as submarine [ ] seen in Ventspils in the spring of 1954.
2. Four vessels of the KRONSETADT Class [ ] were moored in pairs upstream from the naval quay. The vessels appeared newly painted and in good condition. Crew members were on board engaged in maintenance work. By turns, one vessel put to sea every day returning to port after dark.
3. Four vessels of the T-301 type [ ] were moored upstream from the four KRONSETADT Class vessels.

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